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8 **Rapid single-step affinity purification of HA-tagged mitochondria from *Arabidopsis***
9 ***thaliana***

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18 hemagglutinin-tag enables single-step affinity purification of mitochondria in less than 20
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31 **ABSTRACT**

32 Photosynthesis in plant cells would not be possible without the supportive role of
33 mitochondria. However, isolation of mitochondria from plant cells, for physiological and
34 biochemical analyses, is a lengthy and tedious process. Established isolation protocols
35 require multiple centrifugation steps and substantial amounts of starting material. To
36 overcome these limitations, we tagged mitochondria in *Arabidopsis thaliana* with a triple
37 haemagglutinin-tag for rapid purification via a single affinity purification step. This protocol
38 yields a substantial quantity of highly pure mitochondria from 1 g of Arabidopsis seedlings.
39 The purified mitochondria were suitable for enzyme activity analyses and yielded sufficient
40 amounts of proteins for deep proteomic profiling. We applied this method for the proteomic
41 analysis of the Arabidopsis *bou-2* mutant deficient in the mitochondrial glutamate transporter
42 À bout de souffle (BOU) and identified 27 differentially expressed mitochondrial proteins
43 compared with transgenic Col-0 controls. Our work also sets the stage for the development
44 of advanced mitochondria isolation protocols for distinct cell types.

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46 INTRODUCTION

47 In all eukaryotic organisms, mitochondria are the major source of ATP, which is produced via
48 the oxidative phosphorylation (OXPHOS) pathway, thus playing a vital role in cellular energy
49 metabolism. Mitochondria also participate in amino acid metabolism as well as in
50 photorespiration in photosynthetic eukaryotes. Photorespiration plays a crucial role in
51 photosynthesis by detoxifying 2-phosphoglycolate, which is produced by the oxygenation of
52 Rubisco and acts as an inhibitor of several plastidial enzymes (Ogren and Bowes, 1971;
53 Kelly and Latzko, 1976; Husic et al., 1987). Plants reclaim 2-phosphoglycolate in the
54 complex pathway of photorespiration, yielding 3-phosphoglycerate, which is returned to the
55 Calvin Benson cycle. The photorespiratory pathway includes several enzymatic steps that
56 occur in four subcellular compartments: plastids, peroxisomes, mitochondria, and cytosol
57 (Eisenhut et al., 2019). Knockout mutants of genes encoding enzymes and transporters
58 involved in photorespiration often show a photorespiratory phenotype, characterized by
59 chlorotic leaves and growth inhibition under ambient carbon dioxide (CO₂) conditions, which
60 can be rescued in a CO₂ enriched environment (Peterhansel et al., 2010). A key step in
61 photorespiration is the conversion of two glycine molecules into one serine residue in the
62 mitochondrial matrix, accompanied by the release of CO₂ and ammonia. This step is
63 catalyzed by the glycine decarboxylase (GDC) multienzyme system, comprising a P-protein
64 (GLDP), H-protein (GDCH), L-protein (GDCL), and T-protein (GLDT), in combination with
65 serine hydroxymethyltransferase (SHM) (Voll et al., 2006; Engel et al., 2007). In green
66 tissues, these proteins constitute up to 50% of the total protein content of the mitochondrial
67 matrix, indicating the importance of glycine oxidation in mitochondria (Oliver et al., 1990).

68 The *Arabidopsis thaliana bou-2* mutant was previously identified as lacking the mitochondrial
69 glutamate transporter À bout de souffle (BOU), which is involved in photorespiration
70 (Eisenhut et al., 2013). Plants lacking the inner mitochondrial membrane (IMM) protein BOU
71 show a pronounced photorespiratory phenotype under ambient CO₂ conditions, significantly
72 elevated CO₂ compensation point, and highly reduced GDC activity in the isolated
73 mitochondria (Eisenhut et al., 2013). Because *BOU* is co-expressed with genes encoding
74 components of the GDC complex, and the *bou-2* mutant shows a similar metabolic
75 phenotype as the *shm1* mutant, it was hypothesized that BOU transports a metabolite
76 necessary for the proper functioning of GDC (Voll et al., 2006; Eisenhut et al., 2013).
77 Recently, it was demonstrated that heterologously expressed BOU functions as a glutamate
78 transporter (Porcelli et al., 2018). Glutamate is neither a substrate nor a product of the
79 reaction catalyzed by GDC. Besides its role in amino acid and N metabolism, glutamate is
80 necessary for the glutamylation of tetrahydrofolate (THF), a cofactor of GLDT and SHM (Suh

81 et al., 2001). Glutamylation of THF increases its stability. Moreover, THF-dependent
82 enzymes generally prefer polyglutamylated folates over monoglutamylated folates as a
83 substrate (Suh et al., 2001). However, because (1) BOU is not the only glutamate
84 transporter in mitochondria, and (2) glutamylation of folates is not restricted to mitochondria,
85 the exact physiological function of BOU remains unclear (Hanson and Gregory, 2011;
86 Monné et al., 2018). Notably, a glutamate/glutamine shuttle across the mitochondrial
87 membrane was previously suggested to support the reclamation of ammonia released during
88 photorespiration (Linka and Weber, 2005).

89 Analysis of the biochemical and physiological functions of mitochondria frequently requires
90 the isolation of intact mitochondria. Mitochondria can be isolated from leaf tissue in less than
91 1 h by differential centrifugation. This method yields mitochondria with good integrity and
92 appropriate enzyme activity. However, mitochondria are frequently contaminated with
93 plastids and peroxisomes. Hence, in many cases, a combination of differential centrifugation
94 and Percoll density gradient is used (Millar et al., 2001; Werhahn et al., 2001; Keech et al.,
95 2005). While this produces a pure fraction of respiratory active mitochondria with low plastid
96 and peroxisome contamination, such procedures generally take several hours and require
97 up to 50 g of starting material for producing sufficient yields (Keech et al., 2005). Moreover,
98 traditional protocols are not practical for the isolation of mitochondria from mutants with
99 severely impaired growth or from less abundant tissue types such as flowers and for the
100 analysis of mitochondrial metabolites. Furthermore, media used for the isolation of
101 mitochondria typically contain high concentrations of sugars and other metabolites that can
102 potentially interfere with MS-based metabolite analyses.

103 Recently, Chen and coworkers reported a method for the rapid isolation of mitochondria from
104 human HeLa cell cultures via co-immunopurification (co-IP) (Chen et al., 2016). The authors
105 generated transgenic HeLa cell lines expressing a triple hemagglutinin (HA)-tagged
106 enhanced green fluorescent protein (eGFP) fused to the outer mitochondrial membrane
107 (OMM) localization sequence of OMP25 (3×HA-eGFP-OMP25). Because the epitope-tag
108 was displayed on the surface of mitochondria, these transfected cell lines could be used to
109 rapidly enrich mitochondria after cell homogenization. The HA-tagged mitochondria were
110 captured and pulled down using magnetic beads coated with an anti-HA-tag antibody. Given
111 the small size (1 µm diameter) and non-porous behavior of anti-HA-tag beads, these beads
112 performed better than the porous agarose matrix for the enrichment of mitochondria. Thus,
113 the authors established a method that ensures a high yield of pure mitochondria in
114 approximately 12 min. The isolated mitochondria showed high purity, integrity, and
115 functionality. Additionally, the authors developed a simple potassium-based buffer system

116 that maintains mitochondrial intactness and is compatible with downstream analyses, such
117 as metabolite analysis by LC/MS (Chen et al., 2016).

118 Building on this previous work, we developed an affinity-tagging strategy for the rapid
119 isolation of mitochondria from Arabidopsis. We generated transgenic Arabidopsis lines
120 carrying an HA-tagged translocase of the OMM 5 (TOM5) and isolated highly pure and intact
121 mitochondria from these lines in less than 25 min. The isolated mitochondria were
122 successfully subjected to proteomics and enzyme activity analyses. Moreover, we applied
123 the isolation strategy to the *bou-2* mutant, revealing differential protein abundance and
124 enzyme activities.

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126 RESULTS

127 Identification of TOM5 a suitable anchor peptide and generation of affinity-tagged 128 Arabidopsis lines

129 Recently, Chen and colleagues reported a rapid protocol for the isolation of intact
130 mitochondria from transgenic HeLa cells expressing the mitochondrial fusion protein 3×HA-
131 eGFP-OMP25 using co-IP. The Arabidopsis genome does not encode an ortholog of
132 OMP25. Therefore, we screened the available Arabidopsis mitochondrial proteome data,
133 including the OMM proteins with known topology and function, and identified TOM5 as a
134 potential candidate for our mitochondria affinity-tagging approach. Together with TOM6,
135 TOM7, TOM20, TOM22/9, and TOM40, TOM5 forms the protein import apparatus of plant
136 mitochondria (Werhahn et al., 2003). In yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*), TOM5 is an
137 integral protein of the OMM. It has a negatively-charged N-terminal domain, which faces
138 toward the cytosol (Dietmeier et al., 1997) and can be fused to GFP without altering the
139 subcellular localization of TOM5 (Horie et al., 2003). The protein import machinery is well
140 conserved among eukaryotes. The predicted N-terminal cytosolic domain of Arabidopsis
141 TOM5 is necessary for the recognition of cytosolically synthesized mitochondrial preproteins
142 (Wiedemann et al., 2004). Therefore, we generated an N-terminal translational fusion of the
143 Arabidopsis *TOM5* gene with triple HA-tagged *synthetic GFP* (*sGFP*) gene under the control
144 of the Arabidopsis *UBIQUITIN10* promoter (*UB10p*) (*UB10p-3×HA-sGFP-TOM5*;
145 Supplemental Fig. S1). The construct was used to stably transform Arabidopsis ecotype
146 Columbia (Col-0) and *bou-2* mutant. Expression and localization of the fusion protein was
147 verified in root and leaf tissues of 10-day-old Arabidopsis seedlings via confocal laser
148 scanning microscopy. Transgenic Arabidopsis lines expressing the 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5
149 protein in leaf and root mitochondria of Col-0 and *bou-2* seedlings were identified based on
150 the co-localization of the fluorescent signal of GFP signal with that of the mitochondrial
151 marker CMXRos (Fig. 1A–D). CMXRos is a lipophilic cationic dye that accumulates in the
152 mitochondria because of the negative membrane potential; thus, it solely stains mitochondria
153 with an intact respiratory chain (Pendergrass et al., 2004). Because the fluorescent signals
154 of the 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5 protein (green) fully overlapped with those of the MitoTracker
155 (red), we conclude that overexpression of the *UB10p-3×HA-sGFP-TOM5* construct in Col-0
156 and *bou-2* does not affect mitochondrial intactness. In a few transgenic Col-0 lines, the
157 fluorescent signal of sGFP formed a ring around the mitochondria, suggesting the
158 localization of 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5 to the OMM (Fig. 1A, B). Notably, transgenic Col-0 or *bou-2*
159 lines showed no apparent phenotypic differences compared with non-transgenic Col-0 or
160 *bou-2* plants (control), respectively, under our culture conditions.

Figure 1

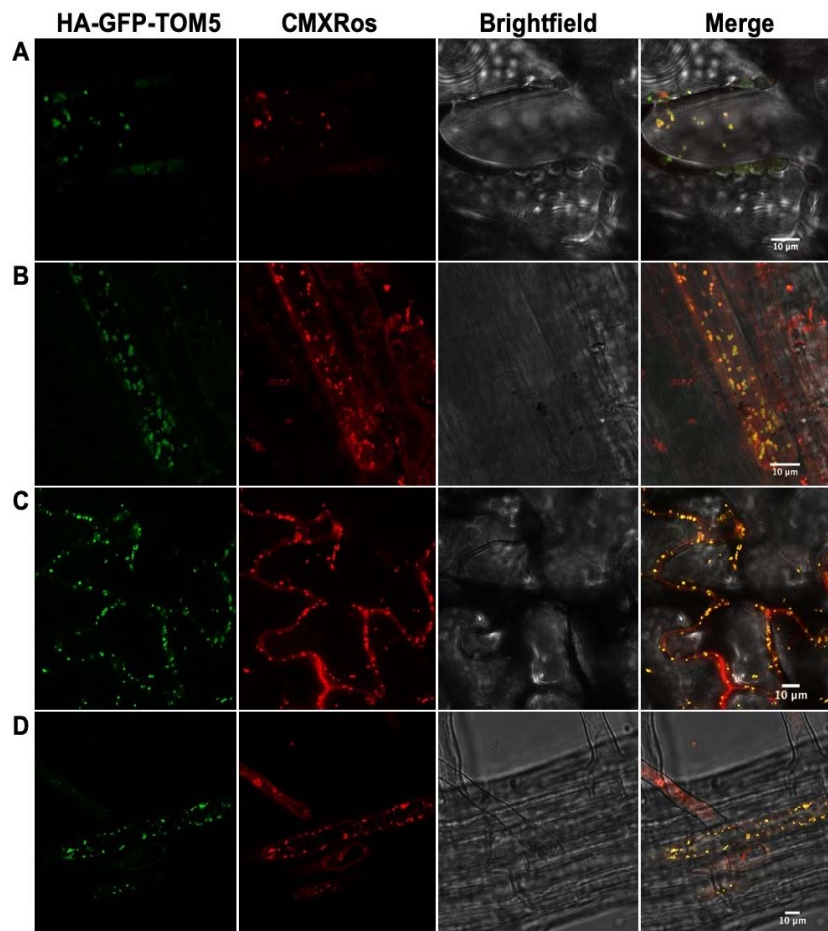


Figure 1: Confocal microscopy of epitope-tagged mitochondria in leaf and root tissues of transgenic *Arabidopsis* Col-0 and *bou-2* lines expressing the *UB10p-3xHA-sGFP-TOM5* construct. (A–D) Images of transgenic Col-0 leaf (A) and root (B) tissues and transgenic *bou-2* leaf (C) and root (D) tissues expressing the 3xHA-sGFP-TOM5 protein. Green color represents GFP signal, whereas red color represents the signal of mitochondrial marker MitoTracker™ Red CMXRos. Bright field and merged images are shown in yellow. Scale bar = 10 μm.

162 Transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* lines were used for the isolation of intact HA-tagged
163 mitochondria via co-IP using magnetic anti-HA beads. We chose HA as the epitope-tag for
164 purification because it has a high affinity for its cognate antibody, and Chen and coworkers
165 previously demonstrated that the size and non-porous behavior of the anti-HA beads yields a
166 high amount of mitochondria (Chen et al., 2016). Additionally, we used the LC/MS-
167 compatible buffer containing KCl and KH₂PO₄ (KPBS) developed by Chen et al. (2016). Our
168 purification procedure included five steps: homogenization of plant material in KPBS (1 min),
169 filtration of the homogenate (1 min), two centrifugation steps (5 min and 9 min), and co-IP (7
170 min, including washing steps). Altogether, mitochondria were purified from plant material in
171 less than 25 min (Fig. 2). If the first centrifugation step used to remove contaminating
172 chloroplasts and cell debris is omitted, the isolation time can be reduced to 18 min. The
173 purified mitochondria were verified by immunoblot analyses using known organelle-specific
174 protein markers. Mitochondria were enriched via co-IP only from lines harboring the
175 mitochondrial 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5 protein, as demonstrated by immunoblot analyses with
176 antibodies directed against different mitochondrial marker proteins including isocitrate
177 dehydrogenase (IDH; mitochondrial matrix), alternative oxidase 1/2 (AOX1/2; IMM), and
178 voltage-dependent anion channel 1 (VDAC1; OMM). No enrichment of mitochondria was
179 observed in control Col-0 lines, indicating that the beads bind specifically to the HA-tag on
180 mitochondria in transgenic lines (Fig. 3). Comparison with classical mitochondria isolation
181 protocols using differential centrifugation and density gradient purification revealed that the
182 mitochondrial fraction enriched using our affinity-tagging method showed significantly less
183 contamination with proteins from plastids, peroxisomes, endoplasmic reticulum (ER),
184 nuclei, and cytosol (Fig. 3). The following proteins were used as markers for different
185 organelles: Rubisco large subunit (RbcL; plastid), catalase (Cat; peroxisome), luminal-
186 binding protein 2 (BiP2; ER), histone H3 (nucleus), and heat shock cognate protein 70
187 (HSC70; cytosol).

188 The intactness of mitochondria isolated from HA-tagged and control lines via co-IP was
189 assessed based on the latency of malate dehydrogenase (MDH) activity. Additionally,
190 isolation was performed in the presence of 1% (w/v) Triton X-114. MDH activity could be
191 detected in mitochondria isolated from HA-tagged lines but not in those isolated from the
192 control lines, thus verifying the results of our immunoblot analyses. When 1% (w/v) Triton X-
193 114 was added to the washing buffer during co-IP, MDH activity was undetectable in both
194 transgenic and control lines, as the detergent lyses the organelles (Fig. 4).

195 Typically, we used 5–10 g of Arabidopsis seedlings grown on agar plates for the isolation of
196 mitochondria, and this yielded up to 700 µg of total mitochondrial protein. However,

Figure 2

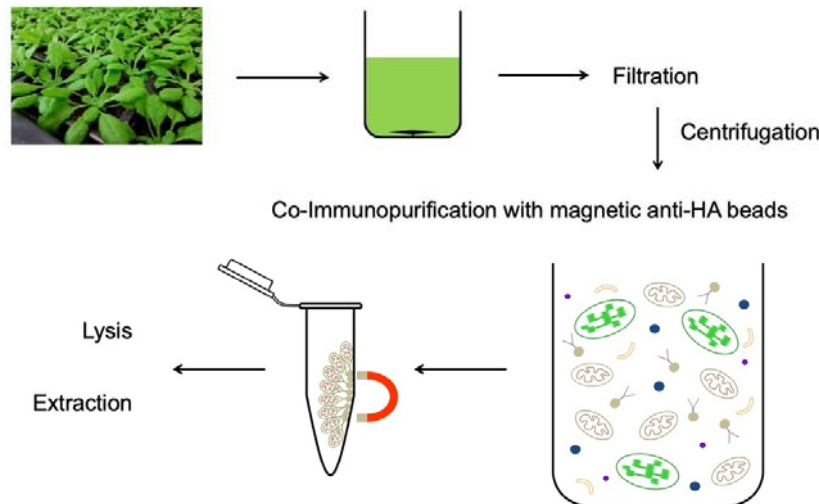


Figure 2: Workflow showing the rapid isolation of epitope-tagged mitochondria via co-immunopurification (co-IP) from Arabidopsis. Transgenic lines harboring the *UB10p-3xHA-sGFP-TOM5* construct and non-transgenic (control) plants were harvested and homogenized in a Warren blender. The extract was filtered and centrifuged to obtain a crude mitochondrial fraction. Epitope-tagged mitochondria were purified via co-IP using magnetic anti-HA beads. The purified mitochondria were washed and either lysed for immunoblot analysis or extracted for proteomics.

197 mitochondria could also be isolated from 1 g of starting material, yielding up to 200 µg of
198 total mitochondrial protein. This is advantageous for very young seedlings or mutants with
199 severely impaired growth. Isolation from less than 1 g of starting material may also result in
200 an appropriate yield of mitochondria, but this was not tested in the current study.

201 Taken together, our data indicate that mitochondria can be rapidly isolated via co-IP using a
202 simple LC/MS-compatible buffer.

Figure 3

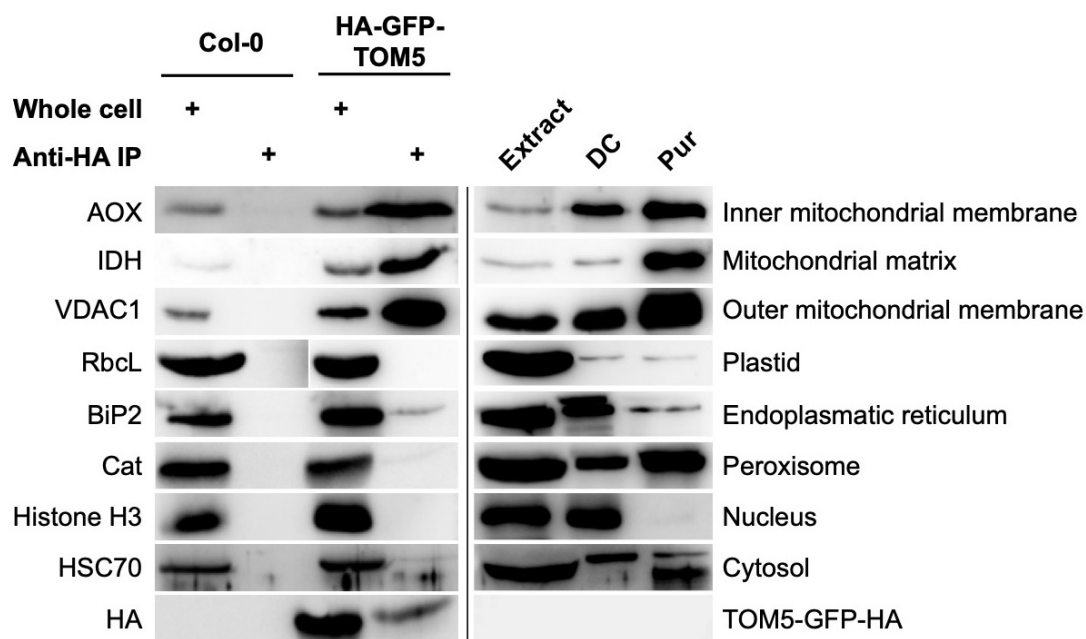


Figure 3: Immunoblot analysis of mitochondria isolated via co-IP or by differential centrifugation and gradient purification. Mitochondria were isolated from transgenic and non-transgenic (control) Col-0 and *bou-2* lines via co-IP using magnetic anti-HA beads (whole cell, Anti-HA IP) or using differential centrifugation and gradient purification (Extract, DC, Pur). Protein amounts were loaded as described in Material and Methods. Whole cell and extract samples were collected after tissue homogenization. Names of organelle marker proteins are shown on the left side of the blots, and their subcellular localization is indicated on the right.

203 **Enzyme assays using mitochondria affinity-purified from transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2***
 204 **mutant lines**

205 We used our rapid mitochondria isolation method to study the effect of the mitochondrial
 206 carrier protein BOU on mitochondrial metabolism in Arabidopsis.

Figure 4

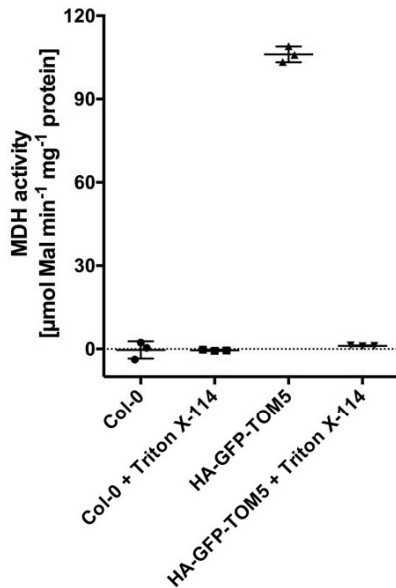


Figure 4: Latency of MDH activity in affinity-purified mitochondria. Mitochondria were rapidly isolated from transgenic and control Col-0 and *bou-2* plants via co-IP, with or without the addition of Triton X-114. The activity of MDH was calculated from the initial slope. Data represent mean \pm SD of three replicates.

207 To assess the effect of the *bou-2* mutant allele on mitochondrial metabolism, we rapidly
208 isolated mitochondria from 10-day-old transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* seedlings grown under
209 elevated CO₂ conditions (3,000 ppm) and those shifted to ambient CO₂ conditions (380 ppm
210 CO₂ after 5 days). Mitochondria were lysed and used to measure the activity of MDH,
211 aspartate aminotransferase (AspAT), glutamate dehydrogenase (GluDH), alanine
212 aminotransferase (AlaAT), γ -aminobutyric acid transaminase (GABA-T), and formate
213 dehydrogenase (FDH). Enzyme activities were calculated from the initial slopes. Enzyme
214 activities in transgenic *bou-2* mutant lines were compared with those in transgenic Col-0
215 lines, which were set to 100%.

216 The activities of MDH and FDH were not affected in transgenic *bou-2* mutant lines under any
217 of the conditions tested (Fig. 5A, B). The activities of AspAT and GABA-T in transgenic

Figure 5

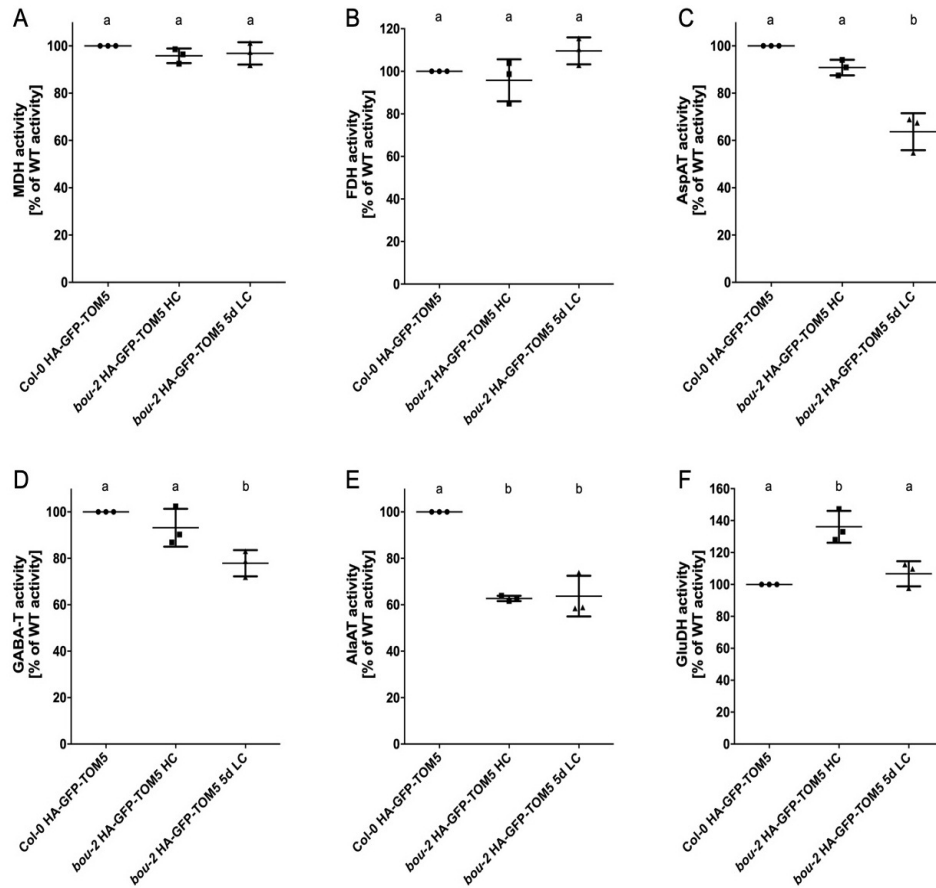


Figure 5: Characterization of enzyme activities in mitochondria isolated from 10-day-old transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* lines grown at 3,000 ppm (HC) and after shift to 380 ppm (5d LC) via co-IP. (A) Malate dehydrogenase (MDH) activity. (B) Formate dehydrogenase (FDH) activity. (C) Aspartate aminotransferase (AspAT) activity. (D) γ -aminobutyric acid transaminase (GABA-T) activity. (E) Alanine aminotransferase (AlaAT) activity. (F) Glutamate dehydrogenase (GluDH) activity. Activities were calculated from initial slopes. Enzyme activities in transgenic Col-0 were set to 100%. Data represent mean \pm SD of three biological replicates. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences between means for each enzyme ($P < 0.05$; one-way ANOVA).

218 mutant lines were similar to those in transgenic Col-0 lines, when mitochondria were isolated

219 from seedlings grown under elevated CO₂ conditions, but were significantly reduced in
220 transgenic mutant lines after the shift to ambient CO₂ conditions (Fig. 5C, D). The activity of
221 AlaAT was significantly reduced (Fig. 5E), whereas that of GluDH was significantly increased
222 in transgenic mutant lines under elevated CO₂ conditions; however, both enzyme activities
223 reverted back to the levels in transgenic Col-0 when seedlings were shifted to ambient CO₂
224 conditions (Fig. 5F). Together, our results suggest a possible involvement of BOU in
225 mitochondrial amino acid and N metabolism.

226 In addition, we found that the activity of MDH was strongly reduced in 4-week-old transgenic
227 *bou-2* mutant plants grown under elevated CO₂ conditions (Supplemental Fig. S2). However,
228 no change was observed in MDH activity in 10-day-old transgenic *bou-2* plants, suggesting
229 pleiotropic effects in older leaf tissues due to accumulating photorespiratory intermediates.

230 **Proteomic analysis of mitochondria affinity-purified from transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2*** 231 **mutant lines**

232 Mitochondria were isolated from 10-day-old transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* seedlings grown
233 under elevated CO₂ conditions in four independent biological replicates. Proteome analysis
234 of the isolated mitochondria revealed 15,688 peptides belonging to 1,240 proteins present in
235 at least three of the four replicates (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table S2).

236 Subcellular localization of the quantified proteins was annotated using the SUBAcon
237 database (Hooper et al., 2017). Summing up the label-free quantitation (LFQ) intensities of
238 the spectra showed that 80% of all quantified peptides resulted from proteins localized or
239 predicted to be localized to the mitochondria, 11.5% from plastid-localized proteins, and
240 5.7% from proteins with no clear subcellular localization (designated as ambiguous).
241 Additionally, more than 90% of the quantified peptides were assigned to the mitochondria.
242 Contamination of the mitochondrial proteins by proteins from peroxisomes, ER, Golgi,
243 vacuoles, endomembranes, plasma membranes, nuclei, and cytosol was less than 1% each
244 (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table S2). These results indicate high purity of the
245 rapidly isolated mitochondria, which was comparable with the purity of classically isolated
246 mitochondria (Klodmann et al., 2011; Senkler et al., 2017).

247 Next, we compared our proteome data with previous proteomic analyses and quantified
248 proteins and some of the subunits of known mitochondrial complexes (Supplemental Table
249 S1, Supplemental Table S2). The OXPHOS pathway of mitochondria consists of five protein
250 complexes (I–V) located in the IMM. Complexes I to IV represent oxidoreductases, which
251 comprise the respiratory chain that regenerates oxidized forms of cofactors involved in
252 mitochondrial metabolism, thereby creating an electron flow. This leads to the simultaneous

253 export of protons into the intermembrane space (IMS). The built-up proton gradient is used
254 by Complex V to generate ATP. Complex I is the largest complex involved in the OXPHOS
255 pathway and comprises at least 47 protein subunits that form the so-called membrane and
256 peripheral arms (Peters et al., 2013; Meyer et al., 2019). Except NDUA1, NDUB2, Nad4L,
257 and Nad6 (At3g08610, At1g76200, AtMg00650, and AtMg00270, respectively), we could
258 identify all Complex I subunits in our proteomic data set. Additionally, we identified eight
259 previously proposed assembly factors (Meyer et al., 2019), five γ -carbonic anhydrases, and
260 five additional proteins proposed to form a matrix-exposed domain attached to Complex I
261 (Sunderhaus et al., 2006). Complex II is composed of eight subunits (Millar et al., 2004). In
262 addition to its function in the OXPHOS pathway, Complex II also participates in the
263 tricarboxylic acid cycle (TCA). Six out of eight subunits of Complex II and the assembly
264 factor SDHAF2 were identified in our data set. Additionally, peptides of all proteins and
265 isoforms of Complex III, eight of its assembly factors, and proteins previously defined as
266 alternative pathways (Meyer et al., 2019) were identified in our data set. Complex V consists
267 of 15 subunits, of which 13 were identified in our proteomic data set; Atp6 (AtMg00410 and
268 AtMg011701) and Atp9 (AtMg01080) were the only two subunits that could not be identified.
269 In addition, we found three of the five proposed assembly factors (Meyer et al., 2019). The
270 cytochrome c oxidase complex (Complex IV) consists of 16 proposed subunits in
271 Arabidopsis (Mansilla et al., 2018). Of these, 9 subunits and 11 assembly factors of Complex
272 IV were identified in our proteomic data set. Furthermore, we identified three proteins
273 involved in the assembly of OXPHOS supercomplexes (Meyer et al., 2019).

274 Except the abovementioned subunits of the SDH complex, all proteins of the TCA cycle and
275 GDC multienzyme system were identified in the rapidly isolated mitochondria. Additionally,
276 our proteomic data set contained a number of pentatricopeptide and tetratricopeptide repeat
277 proteins involved in RNA metabolism as well as heat shock proteins and ribosomes involved
278 in protein control and turnover (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table S2).

279 In Arabidopsis, the majority of mitochondrial proteins are encoded by nuclear genes,
280 translated in the cytosol, and then imported into the mitochondria. The import and sorting of
281 nuclear-encoded mitochondrial preproteins requires functional TOM and sorting and
282 assembly machinery (SAM) in the OMM, mitochondrial IMS import and assembly (MIA)
283 machinery in the IMS, and translocase of the IMM (TIM) in the IMM (Murcha et al., 2014). All
284 mitochondrial preproteins enter the mitochondria via the TOM complex in the OMM. In the
285 IMS, membrane proteins are sorted via the small TIM proteins toward the SAM or TIM22
286 complex for incorporation into the OMM or IMM. Soluble proteins of the mitochondrial matrix
287 are imported via the TIM17:23 complex, and proteins that remain in the IMS are processed
288 via the MIA machinery (Murcha et al., 2014). In this study, we identified all of these proteins

289 in our proteome data set, except the OMM protein TOM6, IMS protein ERV1, IMM protein
290 PRAT5, and matrix proteins MGE1 and ZIM17. Additionally, we identified plant-specific
291 import components, including OM64, PRAT3, and PRAT4, in the OMM (Murcia et al., 2015)
292 and proteins of the mitochondrial contact site and cristae organizing system (MICOS), which
293 connects the IMM to OMM (van der Laan et al., 2016). Other notable OMM proteins
294 identified in our proteomic data set included GTPases MIRO1 and MIRO2, lipid biosynthesis
295 protein PECT, and β -barrel proteins VDAC1–4 (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table
296 S2). Recently, it was shown that the cytosolic protein GAPC interacts with VDAC (Schneider
297 et al., 2018); we also identified GAPC in our proteomic data set.

298 Overall, we conclude that mitochondria isolated using our rapid isolation method are suitable
299 for proteomic analyses.

300 **Differential analysis of the mitochondrial proteome of transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2*** 301 **lines**

302 To assess the effect of *bou-2* mutation on the mitochondrial proteome, we performed
303 comparative proteomic analysis of transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* lines. A total of 47 proteins
304 showed significantly increased abundance in the mutant, of which five were localized to the
305 mitochondria. Additionally, 44 proteins showed significantly decreased abundance in the
306 transgenic *bou-2* samples, of which 22 were predicted to be localized to the mitochondria
307 (Table 1); among these proteins, BOU was the least abundant. The *bou-2* line is a GABI-Kat
308 line that carries a T-DNA insertion in the second exon of the *BOU* gene (Kleinboelting et al.,
309 2012; Eisenhut et al., 2013). We identified two peptides of BOU in at least three of the four
310 replicates of transgenic *bou-2* samples. Both peptides were translated from the first exon of
311 the gene. Because the T-DNA was inserted in the second exon of the gene, it is possible
312 that the first exon was translated. However, a functional protein is not synthesized in the
313 knockout mutant (Eisenhut et al., 2013). Among the mitochondrial proteins showing
314 significantly reduced abundance in transgenic *bou-2* seedlings, we identified six proteins of
315 the OXPHOS pathway (three Complex I proteins and one protein each of Complex II, III, and
316 V), two proteins involved in protein translocation, two proteins involved in metabolite
317 transport, two proteins involved in lipid metabolism, three proteins involved in protein
318 turnover/synthesis, one protein involved in the TCA cycle, and six proteins (including FDH)
319 involved in other processes. Among the proteins with significantly increased abundance in
320 transgenic *bou-2* mutant, we identified two proteins involved in RNA/DNA metabolism, one
321 protein involved in THF metabolism, one MIRO-related GTPase, and one LETM1-like protein
322 (Table 1).

323 Previously, Eisenhut and colleagues showed that GDC activity is reduced in mitochondria
324 isolated from 4-week-old *bou-2* mutant plants (Eisenhut et al., 2013). The authors showed
325 that the *bou-2* mutant accumulated higher amounts of glycine than the wild type and
326 exhibited differential amount and status of the P-protein. Immunoblot analysis showed no
327 differences in the levels of other GDC proteins in the *bou-2* mutant compared with the wild
328 type (Eisenhut et al., 2013). In our proteomic data set, none of the proteins of the GDC
329 complex or SHMT showed significant differences between transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2*
330 seedlings (Table 2). However, the amounts of GLDP1, GLDP2, GDCH1, GDCL1, GDCL2,
331 and GLDT were slightly reduced, whereas those of SHM1, SHM2, and GDCH3 were
332 increased in the mutant compared with Col-0. Among these proteins, the strongest reduction
333 was detected in the amount of GDCH1. However, differences in protein levels between
334 transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* seedlings were not statistically significant. Only one peptide
335 related to GDCH2 was detected in our data set; however, because it was detected in only
336 one of the four replicates, it is not listed Supplemental Table S1.

337 In this study, we showed that mitochondria of the *bou-2* mutant displayed reduced AlaAT
338 activity, increased GluDH activity, and no change in MDH, AspAT, GABA-T, and FDH
339 activities under elevated CO₂ conditions compared with that under ambient CO₂ conditions
340 (Fig. 4A–F). Except FDH, none of the assayed enzymes showed significantly altered
341 amounts in our proteomic data set (Table 2). The amount of FDH was significantly reduced
342 in transgenic *bou-2* samples; however, its activity was not altered in the mutant under both
343 elevated and ambient CO₂ conditions, indicating post-translational modification of FDH. The
344 level of AlaAT was slightly increased in the mutant but showed only 60% activity compared
345 with Col-0 under both elevated and ambient CO₂ conditions. The activities of MDH, AspAT,
346 and GABA-T did not differ between transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* mutant under elevated CO₂
347 conditions, although these proteins were more abundant in transgenic mutant samples. The
348 activity of GluDH was significantly increased in the mutant compared with Col-0 under
349 elevated CO₂ conditions, which may be associated with the increased amount of protein
350 detected in the transgenic *bou-2* seedlings in our proteomic data set. However, this increase
351 was not statistically significant.

352 Overall, we conclude that differences in the activities of MDH, AspAT, GluDH, AlaAT, GABA-
353 T, and AlaAT measured in this study and that of GDC measured in a previous study most
354 likely do not relate to changes in protein abundance in mitochondria of Col-0 vs. *bou-2*
355 mutant but instead might be caused by metabolic impairment or post-translational
356 modifications.

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358 DISCUSSION

359 Recently, analyses of mitochondrial proteome content, complexome composition, post-
360 translational modifications, energy metabolism, OXPHOS complex formation and function,
361 protein translocation, and metabolite shuttles have been conducted to further our
362 understanding of mitochondrial metabolism in Arabidopsis (König et al., 2014; Fromm et al.,
363 2016; De Col et al., 2017; Rao et al., 2017; Senkler et al., 2017; Porcelli et al., 2018; Hu et
364 al., 2019; Kolli et al., 2019; Meyer et al., 2019; Nickel et al., 2019). Many of these analyses
365 required the isolation of intact mitochondria. Here, we report a procedure for the rapid
366 isolation of HA-tagged mitochondria from transgenic Arabidopsis lines via co-IP.
367 Mitochondria isolated using this method showed high enrichment of mitochondrial marker
368 proteins, with only minor contamination, as demonstrated by immunoblot and quantitative
369 proteomic analyses (Fig. 3, Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table S2).

370 The method reported here enables the isolation of intact mitochondria from Arabidopsis
371 seedlings in less than 25 min (Fig. 2, Fig. 3). Moreover, by omitting the first centrifugation
372 step, the isolation time could be shortened to 18 min, although the resulting mitochondrial
373 fraction contained a higher level of other contaminating cellular components. The
374 mitochondrial fraction used for proteomic analyses in this study was obtained using the
375 slightly longer protocol that results in lower contamination with non-mitochondrial proteins.
376 Nevertheless, this isolation method is significantly faster than the standard isolation
377 procedures that generally take up to several hours. To date, we have been able to
378 successfully isolate mitochondria from whole seedlings, leaves, and roots (data not shown).
379 Moreover, this method could be used for the rapid isolation of mitochondria from other plant
380 tissues such as flowers and developing seeds because (1) the expression of the affinity tag
381 is driven by the ubiquitous *UB10p* promoter (Supplemental Fig. S1) and (2) only a small
382 amount of starting material (as low as 1 g) is needed. Additionally, this method is
383 advantageous for the isolation of mitochondria from very young tissues or mutants with
384 growth defects or reduced biomass accumulation. The rapid isolation method is superior to
385 the standard isolation protocols with respect to the yield of mitochondria; we were able to
386 isolate 200 µg of total mitochondrial protein from 1 g of starting material and up to 700 µg
387 total mitochondrial protein from 10 g of whole Arabidopsis seedlings. By contrast, the
388 standard isolation protocols yield only 1.2 mg mitochondria from 50 g of leaves (Keech et al.,
389 2005). Generally, a higher yield is expected using our isolation method, as the HA-tag has
390 high affinity for its cognate antibody. Further optimization of the protocol and bead to extract
391 ratio may result in even higher yields.

392 The purity of affinity-purified mitochondria was similar to that of mitochondria isolated using
393 standard protocols including density gradients (Senkler et al., 2017). Immunoblot analysis
394 revealed only minor contamination with proteins of the ER or peroxisomes in affinity-purified
395 mitochondria (Fig. 3). These results were corroborated by quantitative proteomic analysis.
396 Less than 3% of all quantified proteins were assigned to peroxisomes, ER, Golgi, vacuoles,
397 endomembranes, plasma membranes, nuclei, and cytosol. The highest contamination was
398 due to plastid-localized proteins (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table S2).
399 However, we cannot exclude the possibility that some of the contaminants bound non-
400 specifically to the beads, despite extensive washing. Approximately 80% of the identified
401 proteins and 90% of the identified peptides showed mitochondrial localization (Supplemental
402 Table S1, Supplemental Table S2). Thus, we conclude that the purity of mitochondria
403 isolated using the rapid affinity purification method is comparable with that of mitochondria
404 isolated using traditional methods. We cannot comment on the physiological activity and
405 coupling state of affinity-purified mitochondria because we could not efficiently elute the
406 mitochondria from the magnetic beads with HA peptide. However, mitochondria could be
407 efficiently eluted using SDS-PAGE or detergent lysis buffer. Elution of intact mitochondria
408 might be achievable by integrating a protease cleavage site between the HA-tag and GFP;
409 this will be explored in future studies.

410 In our data set, we were able to identify 96% and 99% of the proteins detected by Klodmann
411 et al. (2011) and Senkler et al. (2017), respectively, in previous analyses of mitochondrial
412 proteomes and their complexome composition (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table
413 S2). On the basis of a recent review on the composition and function of OXPHOS in
414 mitochondria (Meyer et al., 2019), we were able to identify 86% of all the predicted subunits
415 and assembly factors. To date, all of the proteins reviewed in Meyer et al. (2019) have not
416 been confirmed, and it might require an in-depth analysis or membrane enrichment to
417 confirm their presence in mitochondria in proteomic studies. Previously, it was reported that
418 the subunit ND4L is difficult to detect in proteomic studies because of its hydrophobic nature
419 (Peters et al., 2013). Consistent with this observation, we also could not identify this protein
420 in our proteome or in the list of quantified peptides (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental
421 Table S2). However, we were able to detect all proteins of the TCA cycle (except two
422 subunits of Complex II), all GDC proteins, majority of the proteins and subunits of the
423 TIM/TOM protein import apparatus, metabolite transporters of amino acids, dicarboxylic
424 acids, cofactors, ions and energy equivalents (e.g., BOU, BAC, UCP, DCT, SAMC, NDT,
425 APC, AAC, and PHT), as well as many proteins involved in protein synthesis/turnover and
426 DNA/RNA metabolism (Supplemental Table S1, Supplemental Table S2). Thus, our rapidly
427 isolated mitochondria showed good purity, integrity, and functionality.

428 Among all of the identified proteins, 20% could not be assigned to mitochondria. These
429 proteins included components of PSI and PSII; these could be clearly categorized as
430 contamination. However, we also identified proteins with unknown function and no clear
431 prediction of localization. In addition, we detected proteins such as GAPC, which was
432 previously shown to interact with the OMM protein VDAC (Schneider et al., 2018). Therefore,
433 we predict that some of the proteins classified as contaminants might represent novel
434 mitochondrial proteins, for example, as part of OMM protein complexes in the cytosol or as
435 components of complexes at organellar contact sites. However, this needs to be evaluated
436 in more detail in the future.

437 Application of the novel method to a mutant lacking the mitochondrial glutamate transporter
438 BOU resulted in the detection of surprisingly few changes in protein abundances compared
439 with Col-0. Only 22 mitochondrial proteins showed a significant reduction in abundance in
440 the *bou-2* mutant, whereas five proteins were significantly increased in abundance.
441 However, only changes in a mitochondrial folylpolyglutamate synthetase (FGPS) and in
442 FDH, which contributes to the production of CO₂ by oxidizing formate, might be connected to
443 photorespiration. Formate is released from 10-formyl-THF by 10-formyl deformylase, an
444 enzyme involved in the maintenance of the THF pool in mitochondrial matrix (Collakova et
445 al., 2008). Reduced GDC activity in *bou-2* might result in a lower production of formate and
446 finally a reduced abundance of FDH. FGPS is involved in vitamin B9 metabolism by
447 catalyzing the glutamylation of THF, a cofactor of GLDT and SHM (Hanson and Gregory,
448 2011). No significant changes were detected in the abundance of any of the proteins of the
449 GDC multienzyme system. SHM1, SHM2, and GDCH3 were slightly more abundant in the
450 mutant than Col-0, whereas the others seem to be slightly reduced; however, this trend did
451 not meet the significance threshold (Table 2). The observed changes were not pronounced
452 and did not explain why the GDC activity was reduced to approximately 15% of the Col-0
453 level in the *bou-2* mutant. A possible explanation could be that Eisenhut and coworkers used
454 4-week-old rosettes (Eisenhut et al., 2013), whereas we used 10-day-old seedlings in the
455 current study. This possibility is supported by the observation that no difference in MDH
456 activity could be detected between 10-day-old mutant and Col-0 seedlings (Fig. 5A).
457 However, in 4-week-old leaves, the MDH activity was significantly reduced in the mutant
458 compared with Col-0 (Supplemental Fig. S2). In contrast to GDC, the abundance of FDH
459 was significantly reduced in the mutant, whereas its activity was unaltered compared with
460 Col-0 (Table 1, Fig. 5B). Previously, FDH was identified in a lysine acetylome study of
461 Arabidopsis mitochondria from 10-day-old Col-0 seedlings (König et al., 2014). This might
462 indicate that FDH activity is more likely regulated by post-translational modifications than by
463 protein abundance.

464 The BOU protein was recently assigned the function of a glutamate transporter (Porcelli et
465 al., 2018). Glutamate is indirectly linked to photorespiration, as it is needed for the
466 polyglutamylation of THF, which increases its stability and promotes the activity of THF-
467 dependent enzymes (Hanson and Gregory, 2011). However, in addition to BOU,
468 mitochondria-localized uncoupling proteins 1 and 2 show glutamate uptake activity in
469 Arabidopsis (Monné et al., 2018). This raises the question why knockout of the *BOU* gene
470 leads to a photorespiratory phenotype in young tissues, if BOU is not the only glutamate
471 transporter of mitochondria. Additionally, polyglutamylation is not restricted to mitochondria,
472 as Arabidopsis contains three isoforms of FGPS localized to the mitochondria, plastids, and
473 cytosol (Hanson and Gregory, 2011). Folate transporters prefer monoglutamylated forms of
474 THF, whereas enzymes generally prefer polyglutamylated forms (Suh et al., 2001). These
475 data indicate that BOU performs other functions, in addition to glutamate transport *in vivo*.
476 We exclude its function as a mitochondrial glutamate/glutamine shuttle, as BOU shows no
477 glutamine uptake activity (Porcelli et al., 2018). However, it is possible that BOU is involved
478 in folate metabolism, as folate biosynthesis occurs only in mitochondria (Hanson and
479 Gregory, 2011). This possibility, however, needs to be investigated in future studies.

480 **CONCLUSIONS**

481 Our experiments show that affinity-tagging is a powerful tool not only for the analysis of
482 protein-protein interactions but also for the isolation of functional organelles from
483 Arabidopsis. The mitochondria isolated using this method showed high purity and integrity.
484 Future studies will be required to assess the physiological state of the isolated mitochondria
485 after elution from magnetic beads and to determine the applicability of this method for
486 metabolite analyses. To conduct metabolite analyses, it is encouraging that the LC/MS-
487 compatible buffer system developed previously for mammalian mitochondria (Chen et al.,
488 2016) can also be used for the isolation of mitochondria from plant tissues. Expressing the
489 affinity tag under the control of cell-specific promoters will allow the isolation of mitochondria
490 from specific cell types, such as meristems or guard cells (Yang et al., 2008; Schürholz et
491 al., 2018). The use of cell-specific promoters in our construct will help unravel the complex
492 role of mitochondria in various cell types. We expect that similar tagging strategies will be
493 applicable to other plant cell organelles, such as plastids and peroxisomes. Moreover,
494 simultaneous expression of several different affinity tags will facilitate the affinity purification
495 of different organelles from a single extract.

496 MATERIAL AND METHODS

497 Pant growth conditions

498 *Arabidopsis* ecotype Col-0 and *bou-2* mutant (GABI-Kat line number 079D12;
499 <http://www.gabi-kat.de/db/lineid.php>) (Kleinboelting et al., 2012) were used in this study.
500 Seeds were sterilized by washing with 70% (v/v) ethanol supplemented with 1% (v/v) Triton
501 X-100 twice for 10 min each, followed by washing with 100% ethanol twice for 10 min each.
502 Seeds were grown on half-strength Murashige and Skoog (1/2 MS) medium (pH 5.8)
503 supplemented with 0.8% (w/v) agar. Seeds were subjected to cold stratification for 2 days at
504 4°C. After germination, seedlings were grown under 12 h light/12 h dark photoperiod under
505 100 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ light intensity and 3,000 ppm CO₂-enriched atmosphere, unless otherwise
506 stated.

507 Construction of transgenic lines

508 The HA epitope-tag was amplified with a start codon from the Gateway binary vector
509 pGWB15. The coding sequence (CDS) of sGFP, minus the start and stop codons but
510 including a linker peptide (GGSG) at the 5' and 3' ends, was amplified from the Gateway
511 binary vector pGWB4. The CDS of *TOM5* (minus the start codon) was amplified from
512 *Arabidopsis* cDNA. Starting from the 5'-end to the 3'-end, the amplified 3×HA-tag, sGFP, and
513 *TOM5* were cloned into the pUTKan vector under the control of the *Arabidopsis UB10p* using
514 restriction endonucleases. The construct was introduced into *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*,
515 strain GV3101::pMP90, which was then introduced into Col-0 and *bou-2* plants via
516 *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation using the floral dip method, as described previously
517 (Clough and Bent, 1998).

518 Confocal laser scanning microscopy

519 The expression of 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5 was verified via confocal laser scanning microscopy
520 using the Zeiss LSM 78 Confocal Microscope and Zeiss ZEN software. The Col-0 and *bou-2*
521 seedlings regenerated from independent transformation events were incubated with 200 nM
522 MitoTracker Red CMXRos (Molecular Probes) in 1/2 MS supplemented with 3% (w/v)
523 sucrose for 15 min. Images were captured using the following excitation/emission
524 wavelengths: sGFP (488 nm/490–550 nm) and MitoTracker Red CMXRos (561 nm/580–625
525 nm). Pictures were processed using the ImageJ software (<https://imagej.nih.gov/ij/>).

526 Rapid isolation of mitochondria using co-IP

527 Epitope-tagged mitochondria were rapidly isolated using co-IP, as described previously
528 (Chen et al., 2016). Briefly, 1–10 g of *Arabidopsis* seedlings were harvested and

529 homogenized in KPBS (10 mM KH₂PO₄ [pH 7.25] and 136 mM KCl) using a Warren blender.
530 The resulting homogenate was filtered through three layers of miracloth supported by a
531 nylon mesh and centrifuged at 2,500 × *g* for 5 min. The pellet containing cell debris and
532 chloroplasts was discarded. The supernatant was subsequently centrifuged at 20,000 × *g* for
533 9 min. The pellet representing the crude mitochondrial fraction was resuspended in KPBS
534 using a fine paintbrush and homogenized using a Potter-Elvehjem. Crude mitochondria were
535 incubated with pre-washed magnetic anti-HA beads (ThermoFisher Scientific) on an end-
536 over-end rotator for 5 min. Magnetic beads were separated using a magnetic stand and
537 washed at least three times with KPBS. In the detergent treatment control, KPBS was
538 supplemented with 1% (v/v) Triton X-114 in all washing steps. The purified mitochondria
539 were lysed using mitochondria lysis buffer (50 mM TES/KOH [pH 7.5], 2 mM EDTA, 5 mM
540 MgCl₂, 10% [v/v] glycerol, and 0.1% [v/v] Triton X-100) for enzyme activity assays and
541 immunoblot analysis or directly frozen in liquid nitrogen for proteome and metabolite
542 analyses. All steps were carried out at 4°C. The amount of protein recovered after lysis was
543 determined using the Quick Start™ Bradford Protein Assay Kit (Bio-Rad), with bovine serum
544 albumin (BSA) as the standard.

545 **Isolation of mitochondria using the traditional approach**

546 Mitochondria were isolated from 10-day-old Col-0 seedlings via differential centrifugation and
547 Percoll gradient purification, as described previously (Kühn et al., 2015).

548 **Immunoblot analysis**

549 25 µg of total leaf extract and 6.45 µg of isolated mitochondria fractions were heated at 96°C
550 in SDS-PAGE loading buffer for 10 min and separated on 12% SDS-polyacrylamide gels
551 (Laemmli, 1970). Proteins were transferred to 0.2 µm polyvinylidene difluoride membranes
552 (PVDF) or 0.45 µm nitrocellulose membranes using standard protocols. Protein transfer was
553 verified by staining the membranes with Ponceau S red. Membranes were blocked
554 according to the manufacturer's instructions for 1 h, washed with Tris-buffered saline
555 containing 0.1% (v/v) Tween-20 (TBST) and subsequently incubated with either a primary
556 antibody or a single-step antibody overnight at 4°C. Antibodies against marker proteins were
557 diluted as follows: anti-AOX (1:1,000), anti-IDH (1:5,000), anti-VDAC1 (1:5,000), anti-HA-
558 HRP (1:5,000), anti-RbcL (1:7,500), anti-Cat (1:1,000), anti-BiP2 (1:2,000), anti-Histone H3
559 (1:5,000), and anti-HSC70 (1:3,000). Membranes were washed with TBST twice for 10 min
560 each and incubated with the secondary goat anti-Rabbit-HRP antibody (1:5,000) at room
561 temperature for 1 h or at 4°C overnight. Subsequently, membranes were washed with TBST
562 five times for 5 min each and visualized using a chemiluminescence detection system

563 (Immobilon Western HRP Substrate, Merck Millipore). All steps were carried out with
564 phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), when using anti-Cat antibody.

565 **Enzyme assays**

566 Activities of mitochondrial enzymes were measured using a spectrophotometer, based on
567 the absorbance at 340 nm. The activity of MDH was measured based on the oxidation of
568 NADH to NAD⁺ at 340 nm, as described previously (Tomaz et al., 2010). The reaction
569 mixture contained 50 mM KH₂PO₄ (pH 7.5), 0.2 mM NADH, 5 mM EDTA, 10 mM MgCl₂, 2
570 mM OAA (Tomaz et al., 2010), and 0.1–0.4 µg total mitochondrial protein. AspAT activity
571 was measured in a reaction coupled with MDH, as described previously (Wilkie and Warren,
572 1998), with 0.3–1 µg total mitochondrial protein per assay. No external pyridoxal-5'-
573 phosphate was added to the reaction mixture. GluDH activity was measured as described
574 previously (Turano et al., 1996), based on the reduction of NAD⁺ to NADH at 340 nm. To
575 determine the amination activity, 0.5–2 µg total mitochondrial protein was used per assay.
576 GABA-T activity was measured in a reaction coupled with succinate-semialdehyde
577 dehydrogenase (SSADH), as described previously (Clark et al., 2009). The assay buffer
578 contained 50 mM TAPS (pH 9), 0.2 mM NAD⁺, 0.625 mM EDTA, 8 mM GABA, 2 mM
579 pyruvate, 1 U/ml SSADH, and 2–5 µg total mitochondrial protein. The NAD⁺-dependent
580 SSADH was purified from *Escherichia coli*, as described previously (Clark et al., 2009). The
581 recombinant purified protein catalyzed the production of NADH with a specific activity of 1.6
582 U/mg protein. AlaAT activity was measured in reaction coupled with lactate dehydrogenase,
583 as described previously (Miyashita et al., 2007), with 1–5 µg total mitochondrial protein. FDH
584 activity was measured based on the reduction of NAD⁺ to NADH at 340 nm and 30°C, with
585 1–5 µg total mitochondrial protein. The assay buffer contained 100 mM KH₂PO₄ (pH 7.5),
586 1mM NAD⁺, and 50 mM sodium formate.

587 **Sample preparation for LC/MS analysis**

588 To elute proteins from magnetic beads, 30 µl of Laemmli buffer was added to the reaction
589 mixture, and samples were incubated at 95°C for 10 min. Subsequently, 20 µl of protein
590 sample was loaded on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel for in-gel digestion. The isolated gel
591 pieces were reduced using 50 µl of 10 mM DTT, then alkylated using 50 µl of 50 mM
592 iodoacetamide, and finally digested using 6 µl of trypsin (200 ng) in 100 mM ammonium
593 bicarbonate. The peptides were resolved in 15 µl of 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid and subjected to
594 LC/MS analysis.

595 **LC/MS analysis**

596 The LC/MS analysis was performed on a Q Exactive Plus mass spectrometer (Thermo
597 Scientific, Bremen, Germany) connected to an Ultimate 3000 Rapid Separation LC system
598 (Dionex; Thermo Scientific, Idstein, Germany) and equipped with an Acclaim PepMap 100
599 C18 column (75 μ m inner diameter \times 25 cm length \times 2 mm particle size; Thermo Scientific,
600 Bremen, Germany). The length of the isocratic LC gradient was 120 min. The mass
601 spectrometer was operated in positive mode and coupled with a nano electrospray ionization
602 source. Capillary temperature was set at 250°C, and source voltage was set at 1.4 kV. The
603 survey scans were conducted at a mass to charge (m/z) ranging from 200 to 2000 and a
604 resolution of 70,000. The automatic gain control was set at 3,000,000, and the maximum fill
605 time was set at 50 ms. The ten most intensive peptide ions were isolated and fragmented by
606 high-energy collision dissociation (HCD).

607 **Computational MS data analysis**

608 Peptide and protein identification and quantification was performed using MaxQuant version
609 1.5.5.1 (MPI for Biochemistry, Planegg, Germany) with default parameters. The identified
610 Arabidopsis peptides and proteins were queried against a specific proteome database
611 (UP0000006548, downloaded 12/11/17) from UniProt. The oxidation and acetylation of
612 methionine residues at the N-termini of proteins were set as variable modifications, while
613 carbamidomethylations at cysteine residues were considered as fixed modification. Peptides
614 and proteins were accepted with a false discovery rate of 1%. Unique and razor peptides
615 were used for label-free quantification, and peptides with variable modifications were
616 included in the quantification. The minimal ratio count was set to two, and the 'matched
617 between runs' option was enabled.

618 Normalized intensities, as provided by MaxQuant, were analyzed using the Perseus
619 framework (version 1.5.0.15; MPI for Biochemistry, Planegg, Germany). Only proteins
620 containing at least two unique peptides and a minimum of three valid values in at least one
621 group were quantified. Proteins which were identified only by site or marked as a
622 contaminant (from the MaxQuant contaminant list) were excluded from the analysis.
623 Differential enrichment of proteins in the two groups (*Col-0*; *bou-2*) was assessed using
624 Student's *t*-test. Significance analysis was applied on log₂-transformed values using an S0
625 constant of 0 and a false discovery rate of 5%, as threshold cutoffs.

626 The MS proteomics data has been deposited to the ProteomeXchange Consortium via the
627 PRIDE partner repository with the data set identifier PXD014137.

628 **SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL**

629 **Supplemental Table S1:** List of proteins identified and quantified in Col-0 and *bou-2* plants
630 expressing the 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5 protein.

631 **Supplemental Table S2:** List of raw intensities and reliability of all quantified peptides.

632 **Supplemental Figure S1:** Schematic representation of the vector used to label
633 mitochondria with triple HA-tag.

634 **Supplemental Figure S2:** Activity of malate dehydrogenase (MDH) in mitochondria rapidly
635 isolated from 4-week-old Col-0 and *bou-2* leaves expressing the *UB10p-3×HA-sGFP-TOM5*
636 construct.

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640 **FIGURE LEGENDS**

641 **Figure 1: Confocal microscopy of epitope-tagged mitochondria in leaf and root**
642 **tissues of transgenic Arabidopsis Col-0 and *bou-2* lines expressing the *UB10p-3×HA-***
643 ***sGFP-TOM5* construct.** (A–D) Images of transgenic Col-0 leaf (A) and root (B) tissues and
644 transgenic *bou-2* leaf (C) and root (D) tissues expressing the 3×HA-sGFP-TOM5 protein.
645 Green color represents GFP signal, whereas red color represents the signal of mitochondrial
646 marker MitoTracker™ Red CMXRos. Bright field and merged images are shown in yellow.
647 Scale bar = 10 μm.

648 **Figure 2: Workflow showing the rapid isolation of epitope-tagged mitochondria via co-**
649 **immunopurification (co-IP) from Arabidopsis.** Transgenic lines harboring the *UB10p-*
650 *3×HA-sGFP-TOM5* construct and non-transgenic (control) plants were harvested and
651 homogenized in a Warren blender. The extract was filtered and centrifuged to obtain a crude
652 mitochondrial fraction. Epitope-tagged mitochondria were purified via co-IP using magnetic
653 anti-HA beads. The purified mitochondria were washed and either lysed for immunoblot
654 analysis or extracted for proteomics.

655 **Figure 3: Immunoblot analysis of mitochondria isolated via co-IP or by differential**
656 **centrifugation and gradient purification.** Mitochondria were isolated from transgenic and
657 non-transgenic (control) Col-0 and *bou-2* lines via co-IP using magnetic anti-HA beads
658 (whole cell, Anti-HA IP) or using differential centrifugation and gradient purification (Extract,
659 DC, Pur). Protein amounts were loaded as described in Material and Methods. Whole cell
660 and extract samples were collected after tissue homogenization. Names of organelle marker

661 proteins are shown on the left side of the blots, and their subcellular localization is indicated
662 on the right.

663 **Figure 4: Latency of MDH activity in affinity-purified mitochondria.** Mitochondria were
664 rapidly isolated from transgenic and control Col-0 and *bou-2* plants via co-IP, with or without
665 the addition of Triton X-114. The activity of MDH was calculated from the initial slope. Data
666 represent mean \pm SD of three replicates.

667 **Figure 5: Characterization of enzyme activities in mitochondria isolated from 10-day-**
668 **old transgenic Col-0 and *bou-2* lines grown at 3,000 ppm (HC) and after shift to 380**
669 **ppm (5d LC) via co-IP.** (A) Malate dehydrogenase (MDH) activity. (B) Formate
670 dehydrogenase (FDH) activity. (C) Aspartate aminotransferase (AspAT) activity. (D) γ -
671 aminobutyric acid transaminase (GABA-T) activity. (E) Alanine aminotransferase (AlaAT)
672 activity. (F) Glutamate dehydrogenase (GluDH) activity. Activities were calculated from initial
673 slopes. Enzyme activities in transgenic Col-0 were set to 100%. Data represent mean \pm SD
674 of three biological replicates. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences
675 between means for each enzyme ($P < 0.05$; one-way ANOVA).

676 SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

677 **Supplemental Table S1: List of proteins identified and quantified in Col-0 and *bou-2***
678 **plants expressing the 3 \times HA-sGFP-TOM5 protein.** Intensities of identified proteins are
679 given as log₂-transformed values. Subcellular localization was assigned using SUBA4.
680 Difference between Col-0 and *bou-2* was calculated as the change in log₂-transformed
681 values. Significance was calculated using the Student *t*-test ($P < 0.05$).

682 **Supplemental Table S2: List of raw intensities and reliability of all quantified peptides.**
683 PEP: Posterior Error Probability of identification.

684 **Supplemental Figure S1: Schematic representation of the vector used to label**
685 **mitochondria with triple HA-tag.** The N-terminal end of Arabidopsis gene encoding the
686 outer mitochondrial membrane protein TOM5 (At5g08040) was fused to the *synthetic green*
687 *fluorescent protein (sGFP)* gene labeled with a triple hemagglutinin (3 \times HA) tag for co-
688 Immunopurification. The cassette was cloned into the pUTKan vector under the control of
689 the Arabidopsis *UBIQUITIN10* promoter (*UB10p*) and stably introduced into Arabidopsis via
690 the floral dip method.

691 **Supplemental Figure S2: Activity of malate dehydrogenase (MDH) in mitochondria**
692 **rapidly isolated from 4-week-old Col-0 and *bou-2* leaves expressing the *UB10p*-3 \times HA-**
693 **sGFP-TOM5 construct.** MDH activity was measured as described in Material and Methods.

694 Activities were calculated from initial slopes. Enzyme activity in transgenic Col-0 was set to
695 100%. Data represent mean \pm SD of three biological replicates. Asterisks indicate
696 statistically significant differences (***, $P < 0.001$; Student's *t*-test).

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698 **Table 1: List of significant differences in protein abundance between Col-0 *UB10p-***
 699 ***3xHA-sGFP-TOM5* and *bou-2 UB10p-3xHA-sGFP-TOM5*.** Difference was calculated as
 700 change of log₂ of normalized intensity. List includes only proteins that show mitochondrial
 701 localization. List ranges from most downregulated in *bou-2 UB10p-3xHA-sGFP-TOM5* (top)
 702 to most upregulated *bou-2 UB10p-3xHA-sGFP-TOM5* (bottom). Significance was calculated
 703 with Student's t-test, $P < 0.05$.

AGI	Gene symbol	Gene description	Difference
AT5G46800	BOU	Mitochondrial substrate carrier family protein	-8,66407
AT2G42310	AT2G42310	ESSS subunit of NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase (complex I) protein	-2,0953
AT5G41685	AT5G41685	Mitochondrial outer membrane translocase complex, subunit Tom7	-1,90711
AT3G03100	AT3G03100	NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase, 17.2kDa subunit	-1,33356
AT5G53650	AT5G53650	ABC transporter A family protein	-1,25252
AT5G67590	FRO1	NADH-ubiquinone oxidoreductase-like protein	-1,0968
AT5G40810	AT5G40810	Cytochrome C1 family	-1,06444
AT3G27280	PHB4	prohibitin 4	-0,94888
AT3G27380	SDH2-1	succinate dehydrogenase 2-1	-0,764682
AT4G37660	AT4G37660	Ribosomal protein L12/ ATP-dependent Clp protease adaptor protein ClpS family protein	-0,732468
AT2G42210	OEP16-3	Mitochondrial import inner membrane translocase subunit Tim17/Tim22/Tim23 family protein	-0,710023
AT3G55400	OVA1	methionyl-tRNA synthetase / methionine-tRNA ligase / MetRS (cpMetRS)	-0,705525
AT5G14780	FDH	formate dehydrogenase	-0,697987

AT2G38670	PECT1	phosphorylethanolamine cytidyltransferase 1	-0,606253
AT5G63400	ADK1	adenylate kinase 1	-0,603703
AT1G79230	MST1	mercaptopyruvate sulfurtransferase 1	-0,587758
AT4G30010	AT4G30010	ATP-dependent RNA helicase	-0,545131
AT3G03420	AT3G03420	Ku70-binding family protein	-0,531796
AT4G31810	AT4G31810	ATP-dependent caseinolytic (Clp) protease/crotonase family protein	-0,461768
AT1G19140	AT1G19140	ubiquinone biosynthesis COQ9-like protein	-0,455841
AT4G31460	AT4G31460	Ribosomal L28 family	-0,430804
AT1G54220	AT1G54220	Dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase, long form protein	-0,324755
AT3G59820	LETM1	LETM1-like protein	0,42657
AT5G27540	MIRO1	MIRO-related GTP-ase 1	0,447933
AT3G10160	DFC	DHFS-FPGS homolog C	0,507662
AT1G71260	ATWHY2	WHIRLY 2	0,51931
AT5G15980	AT5G15980	Pentatricopeptide repeat (PPR) superfamily protein	0,8335

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706 **Table 2: List of changes in protein abundance of glycine decarboxylase proteins,**
 707 **serine hydroxymethyltransferase (SHM) and the enzymes malate dehydrogenase**
 708 **(MDH), formate dehydrogenase (FDH), aspartate aminotransferase (ASP), γ -**
 709 **aminobutyric acid transaminase (POP2), alanine aminotransferase (AlaAT) and**
 710 **glutamate dehydrogenase (GDH).** Difference was calculated as change of \log_2 of
 711 normalized intensity. Significance was calculated with Student's t-test, $P < 0.05$.

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AGI	Gene symbol	Gene description	Difference	Significant
AT4G33010	GLDP1	glycine decarboxylase P-protein 1	-0,373902	no
AT2G26080	GLDP2	glycine decarboxylase P-protein 2	-0,155379	no
AT2G35370	GDCH1	glycine decarboxylase H-protein 1	-0,760396	no
AT1G32470	GDCH3	glycine decarboxylase H-protein 3	0,173202	no
AT1G11860	GLDT	Glycine cleavage T-protein family	-0,164196	no
AT1G48030	GDCL1	mitochondrial lipoamide dehydrogenase 1	-0,0284281	no
AT3G17240	GDCL2	mitochondrial lipoamide dehydrogenase 2	-0,217162	no
AT4G37930	SHM1	serine hydroxymethyltransferase 1	0,109162	no
AT5G26780	SHM2	serine hydroxymethyltransferase 2	0,696879	no
AT5G14780	FDH	formate dehydrogenase	-0,697987	yes
AT5G18170	GDH1	glutamate dehydrogenase 1	0,91113	no
AT5G07440	GDH2	glutamate dehydrogenase 2	0,105005	no
AT3G22200	POP2	γ -aminobutyric acid transaminase	0,345683	no
AT1G17290	AlaAT1	alanine aminotransferase 1	0,640894	no
AT1G72330	AlaAT2	alanine aminotransferase 2	0,223008	no

AT2G30970 ASP1	aspartate aminotransferase 1	0,399954	no
AT1G53240 mMDH1	Lactate/malate dehydrogenase family protein	0,564951	no
AT3G15020 mMDH2	Lactate/malate dehydrogenase family protein	0,0343099	no

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